COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, JULY 8, 2004

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Armed Services: to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Admiral Vernon E. Clark, USN, for reappointment to the grade of admiral and to be Chief of Naval Operations; and Lieutenant General James E. Cartwright, USMC, for appointment to the grade of general and to be Commander, United States Strategic Command, 10 a.m., SR–222.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: to hold hearings to examine S. 2411, to amend the Federal Fire Prevention and Control Act of 1974 to provide financial assistance for the improvement of the health and safety of firefighters, promote the use of life saving technologies, achieve greater equity for departments serving large jurisdictions, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Financial Management, the Budget, and International Security, to hold hearings to examine the federal government's financial statement and accountability of taxpayer dollars at the Departments of Defense and Homeland Security, 10:30 a.m., SD–342.

Committee on the Judiciary: business meeting to consider S. 1635, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to ensure the integrity of the L-1 visa for intracompany transferees; S.J. Res. 4, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States authorizing Congress to prohibit the physical desecration of the flag of the United States; S. 1700, to eliminate the substantial backlog of DNA samples collected from crime scenes and convicted offenders, to improve and expand the DNA testing capacity of Federal, State, and local crime laboratories, to increase research and development of new DNA testing technologies, to develop new training programs regarding the collection and use of DNA evidence, to provide postconviction testing of DNA evidence to exonerate the innocent, to improve the performance of counsel in State capital cases; S. 2396, to make improvements in the operations and administration of the Federal courts, and the nominations of Claude A. Allen, of Virginia, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Fourth Circuit, Michael H. Watson, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Ohio, David W. McKeague, and Richard A. Griffin, both of Michigan, each to be a United States Circuit Judge for the Sixth Circuit, and Virginia Maria Hernandez Covington, of Florida, to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Florida, 9:30 a.m., SD-226.

House

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education and Related Agencies, to mark up the Labor, Health and Human Services, Education and Related Agencies appropriations for fiscal year 2005, 9:30 a.m., 2358 Rayburn.

Committee on Armed Services, hearing on the economic, technology, vocational and skills implications of the Department of Defense trade offsets, 9 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Commerce, Trade, and Consumer Protection, hearing entitled "FASB Proposals on Stock Option Expensing," 1:30 p.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Energy and Air Quality, hearing entitled "United Nations Oil for Food Program," 9:30 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Health, hearing entitled "Assessing Digestive Diseases Research and Treatment Opportunities," 11 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 4380, To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 4737 Mile Stretch Drive in Holiday, Florida, as the "Sergeant First Class Paul Ray Smith Post Office Building;" H.R. 4381, To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 2811 Springdale Avenue in Springdale, Arkansas, as the "Harvey and Bernice Jones Post Office Building;" H.R. 4442, To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1050 North Hills Boulevard in Reno, Nevada, as the "Guardians of Freedom Memorial Post Office Building" and to authorize the installation of a plaque at such site; H. Res. 646, Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that there should be established a National Community Health Center Week to raise awareness of health services provided by community, migrant, public housing, and homeless health centers; and H. Res. 684, Honoring David Scott Tidmarsh, the 2004 Scripps National Spelling Bee Champion; followed by a hearing entitled "Beneficial or Critical? The Heightened Need for Telework Opportunities in the Post-9/11 World," 10:15 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Human Rights and Wellness, hearing entitled "Trafficking in Persons: The Federal Government's Approach to Eradicate This Worldwide Problem," 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Courts, the Internet, and Intellectual Property, to mark up H.R. 4586, Family Movie Act of 2004, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Resources, Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources, oversight hearing entitled "The Aging of the Energy and Minerals Workforce: A Crisis in the Making?" 2 p.m., 1334 Longworth.

Subcommittee on National Parks, Recreation and Public Lands, to mark up of the following bills: H.R. 1630, Petrified Forest National Park Expansion Act of 2003; H.R. 2457, Castillo de San Marcos National Monument Preservation and Education Act; H.R. 3954, Rancho El Cajon Boundary Reconciliation Act; and S. 1576, Harpers Ferry National Historical Park Boundary Revision Act of 2003, 10 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

Subcommittee on Water and Power, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 3391, Provo River Project Transfer Act; H.R. 4459, Llagas Reclamation Groundwater Remediation Initiative; and H.R. 4606, Southern California Groundwater Remediation Act; followed by a hearing on the following bills: S. 943, to authorize the Secretary of

the Interior to contract with the city of Cheyenne, Wyoming, for storage of the city's water in the Kendrick Project, Wyoming; H.R. 4588, Lower Rio Grande Valley Water Resources Conservation and Improvement Act of 2004; and H.R. 4650, Wichita Project Equus Beds Division Authorization Act of 2004, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Rules, July 8, to consider the following bills: H.R. 4766, making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2005, and for other purposes; and H.R. 2828, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to implement water supply technology and infrastructure programs aimed at increasing and diversifying domestic water resources, 3 p.m., H–313 Capitol.

Committee on Small Business, Subcommittee on Tax, Finance and Exports, hearing entitled "H.R. 1818, Workforce Health Improvement Act of 2003: Healthy Employees; Healthy Bottom Line," 10 a.m., 311 Cannon.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Subcommittee on Aviation, oversight hearing on National Capitol Region Air Space Control: A Review of the Issues Surrounding the June 9, 2004 flight of "N24SP," 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 784, Water Quality Investment Act of 2003; H.R. 4470, To amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to extend the authorization of appropriations for the Lake Pontchartrain Basin Restoration Program from fiscal year 2005 to 2010; H.R. 4688, To amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to reauthorize the Chesapeake Bay Program; and H.R. 4731, To amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to reauthorize the national Estuary Program, 2 p.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, Subcommittee on Health, to mark up a measure to authorize the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to enter into certain capital leases, 9:30 a.m., 334 Cannon.

Committee on Ways and Means, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 4759, United States-Australia Free Trade Agreement Implementation Act; and H.R. 4418, Customs Border Security and Trade Agencies Authorization Act of 2004, 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

Select Committee on Homeland Security, hearing entitled "Practice Makes Perfect: Strengthening Homeland Security by Exercising Terrorism Scenarios, 1 p.m., 210 Cannon.